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## MEDIA ADVISORY

HIPAA and Other Health Laws: Maryland Compliance Assistance Seminar

**WASHINGTON--**The Compliance Assistance Seminar sponsored by the U. S. Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) and the Maryland Department of Insurance, will take place in Annapolis, Md., on May 19-20, 2004 at the Sheraton Barcelo, 173 Jennifer Road.

The Maryland seminar is the 23<sup>rd</sup> in a series of ongoing seminars sponsored by the Labor Department under its Health Benefits Education Campaign (HBEC). The campaign helps workers and employers, especially small businesses, understand their rights and obligations under various health benefit laws. As part of the department's HIPAA Compliance Assistance Program (H-CAP), there will be sessions covering Part 7 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, including HIPAA.

Panel participants will include representatives from the Labor Department's EBSA and Employment Standards Administration, the Maryland Department of Insurance, the Internal Revenue Service, and the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Registration is on a first come, first served basis, with only limited spaces available. Interested parties should register early by email to: Deborah A. Milne at <a href="Milne.Deborah@dol.gov">Milne.Deborah@dol.gov</a>. For the agenda and registration information, visit EBSA's website at <a href="www.dol.gov/ebsa/hbec.html">www.dol.gov/ebsa/hbec.html</a> or call (202) 693-8660.

Upcoming seminars will be held in:

- ?? Chicago, Ill. (June 23-24, 2004)
- ?? New York, N.Y. (July 14-15, 2004)
- ?? Louisville, Ky. (August 4-5, 2004)
- ?? Anchorage, Ak. (September 14-15, 2004)
- ?? Portland, Me. (October 13-14, 2004)

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